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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: M. Burleson
AKIHIKO UEKUSA ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: 2626
Appln. No.: 09/742,122)
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Filed: December 22, 2000)
:
For: IMAGE-PROCESSING METHOD,)
IMAGE-PROCESSING DEVICE, :
AND STORAGE MEDIUM) December 16, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 16, 2004, Applicants petition to extend the time for response to December 16, 2004. A check in the amount of \$1020.00 in payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee and credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account 06-1205.

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Signature

December 16, 2004

Date of Signature

In response to that Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning at page 3, and the Remarks begin on page 9.